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1. In the course of an administrative reorganization, which is reported to be planned in the DDR Foreign Ministry, the following changes are expected:
 - a. The Kulturpolitische Abteilung (Hauptabteilung III) is to be subordinated to the Political section (Hauptabteilung I). Kurt Schatter (LDP), the current chief of the former, is retiring on 1 March 1951.
 - b. The Wirtschaftspolitische Abteilung (Hauptabteilung II) will be subordinated to Dr. Gerhard Reintanz, the present chief of the legal section (Hauptabteilung IV). Dr. Kurt Raphael, current head of the Wirtschaftspolitische Abteilung, will remain in charge of economic matters but will be subordinate to Reintanz.
 - c. A new chief of the personnel section (Hauptabteilung VI) will be appointed from outside the Ministry. Emil Rathmann, present chief of personnel, will head the consular section (Hauptabteilung V). Preinzel Frau, the current head of the consular section, will be given a post under Dr. Raphael.
2. Guenther Kohrt, personal Referent to State Secretary for Foreign Affairs Anton Ackermann, has been absent from the Foreign Ministry since mid-December 1950. His whereabouts are unknown.

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